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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements of July 19, 2002 and December 26, 2002, Applicants submit the enclosed Search Reports received in a related European application. The Form PTO-1449 is not being submitted because the references cited in the Search Reports have already been made of record.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of this IDS under Rule 97(c). The Search Reports were communicated from a foreign patent office in a related application not more than three months from their initial submissions on July 19, 2002 and December 26, 2002. No fee is due.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been luke of selvinged omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under 37 CFR § 1.97(f), to enable Applicants to comply fully.

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Consideration of the foregoing is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if further information is needed.

Respectfully submitted.

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